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In re Application of  
THUY-PHUONG LE et al.  
Application No.: 10/533,083  
PCT No.: PCT/DE03/03029  
Int. Filing: 12 September 2003  
Priority Date: 28 October 2002  
Attorney Docket No.: 2002PO3505WOUS  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
EXCHANGING DATA USING A TUNNEL  
CONNECTION

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This application is before the PCT Legal Office for consideration of matters arising under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is also responsive to applicant's communication filed via facsimile on 17 March 2006 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in the above-captioned application.

On 30 September 2005, a Notification of Missing Requirements (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905) was mailed to applicant indicating that the declaration submitted on 28 April 2005 with the request for entry into the national stage, listed the inventor as Thuy-Phuong Le, rather than Le Thuy-Phuong as listed on the published international application.

On 30 November 2005, a reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements was filed via facsimile.

On 01 March 2006, a decision on the reply was mailed indicating that an explanation was required as to how the error in the inventor's name occurred, e.g. is this a correction of a transliteration or typographical error. An explanation was required as to how the error in the inventor's name occurred, e.g. is this a correction of a transliteration or typographical error. The declaration as filed was not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.66 or 1.68 as it identified a legal entity not identified on the international application and was unacceptable as filed.<sup>1</sup>

On 17 March 2006, applicant filed the correction of the inventor's name, notifying the Office that the correct inventor's name is Thuy-Phuong Le as indicated in the declaration filed 28 April 2005 rather than Le Thuy-Phuong, as incorrectly indicated in the international application as the result of a typographical error ( a comma indicating last name before first).

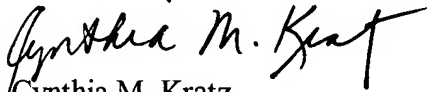
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<sup>1</sup>Section 201.03 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure states where a typographical or transliteration error in the spelling of an inventor's name is discovered, the Office should simply be notified of the error to correct the name of the inventor.

Applicants' explanation of the difference in the order of Thuy-Phuong Le's name is accepted and noted for the record.

For the reasons above, the Request is GRANTED. No petition fee is required.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for further processing. The 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date is 28 April 2005.



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